

KEANSBURG BOAT SINKS; 200 IN PANIC

Keypoint Rammed Off Battery by Steam Lighter and Quickly Settles.

ALL EASILY RESCUED

Shrewsbury River Vessel Pushed Against Sea Wall by Barge.

The Keansburg steamboat Keypoint was sunk in collision with the steam lighter Santos 150 feet off the battery sea wall yesterday. The 200 passengers aboard the Keypoint, many of them women, were thrown into panic, but only two persons were hurt and all of the passengers were landed safely. The Keypoint went to the bottom in twelve minutes, but was so near the Battery wall that her superstructure remained above water.

"Everybody became hysterical as soon as the lighter struck us," said Joseph Tunen, purser of the Keypoint. "One man wanted to jump overboard, but I sat on him and at the same time I had my arms around at least a dozen women."

The Keypoint, an excursion steamer of the Keansburg Steamboat Company, with a capacity of 600 passengers, had all but completed her trip from Keansburg, N. J., to the Battery when she and the steam lighter Santos of the Arbutus Coffee Company drew near together. The crowds lining the Battery watching the flight of three army aeroplanes were suddenly roared by the crash when the Santos struck the Keypoint on her port side amidships. Capt. Newton H. Seeley of the Keypoint said that he had five quick blasts of warning, but that the Santos rammed ahead just the same.

The captain of the Santos wisely kept his lighter locked in the Keypoint's side and pushed the sinking excursion boat close to the Battery wall before she sank. Passengers climbed over the side of the vessel which had broken free from the gangplank to be put out. Some tried to climb over to the other side to the Santos. The St. George ferryboat Bronx altered its course to stand by in case of need, but there was no need.

Captain John C. Curtin, decommissioned Peter M. Tamm, John A. Kelly, an employee of the former Larchmont, Ky., K. K. King, K. K. and George Foster, all boatmen, assisted the Keypoint's crew to get the passengers off. The two hurt were Miss Rose Kelly, 30 years old, of 248 Fifty-second street, Brooklyn, and the steward, James H. Rogers. Both were attended by Ambulance Surgeon Russell of the House of Relief.

FIGHTS PLAN FOR UNEMPLOYED LAWS MUST BE ALTERED.

George L. Record, who is seeking the Republican nomination for Governor of New Jersey on a platform advocating home rule, local option and single taxation, announced yesterday afternoon that he is opposed to the plan of State Labor Commissioner Lewis T. Bryant to join in a general strike which will make it hard to get men who will be of benefit to nobody but those who get jobs in the employment bureaus.

Commissioner Bryant's plan is for municipalities to establish such bureaus by local appropriations. The Board of Commissioners of Jersey City will decide on Tuesday whether they will make an application for a loan.

Mr. Record said that if the tax laws of the State were changed so that the speculators owning up to a million acres of Jersey land were compelled to bear their share of the Government expenses the whole commonwealth would profit.

"Idle or underpaid men who have been trained in the knowledge of farming would be glad to go upon this land and produce wealth and establish homes," said Mr. Record. "Land speculation prevents this, however. Land speculation is made possible only by our system of taxation, which taxes income heavily and taxes capital lightly. It creates unaided men. If we reverse this system and exempt buildings and farm improvements of every kind from taxation the result would be that taxation would be levied upon land values alone. This would make it unprofitable for any men to hold land for speculation."

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